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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Sandro H. Pintz et al.

Application No.: 09/476,698

Filed: January 3, 2000

For: SUBPICTURE DECODING  
ARCHITECTURE AND METHOD

Examiner: Nguyen, H.

Art Unit: 2713

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 28, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Amended) A system for decoding and processing a subpicture
- data stream which comprises a subpicture pixel data stream, and a subpicture display
- control data stream, said subpicture display control data stream comprising one or more